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Observer status for the Inter-American Development Bank in the General Assembly

Report of the Sixth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. The item entitled "Observer status for the Inter-American Development Bank in the General Assembly" was included in the agenda of the fifty-fifth session at the request of Argentina (on behalf of the States Members of the United Nations that are members of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States).

2. At its 9th plenary meeting, on 11 September 2000, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include the item in its agenda and to allocate it to the Sixth Committee.

3. The Sixth Committee considered the item at its 26th meeting, on 10 November 2000. The views of the representatives who spoke during the Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary record (A/C.6/55/SR.26).

4. For its consideration of the item, the Committee had before it a letter dated 27 July 2000, from the Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (A/55/192).

II. Consideration of draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.13

5. At the 26th meeting, on 10 November, the representative of Brazil, on behalf of Argentina, Barbados, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Peru, Portugal, Trinidad and Tobago, the United States of America, Uruguay and Venezuela, subsequently joined by France, Panama and Spain, introduced a draft resolution entitled "Observer status for the Inter-American

Development Bank in the General Assembly" (A/C.6/55/L.13). Saint Vincent and the Grenadines withdrew as a sponsor of the draft resolution.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/55/L.13 without a vote (see para. 7).

III. Recommendation of the Sixth Committee

7. The Sixth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Observer status for the Inter-American Development Bank in the General Assembly

The General Assembly,

Wishing to promote cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-American Development Bank,

1. *Decides* to invite the Inter-American Development Bank to participate in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly in the capacity of observer;

2. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary action to implement the present resolution.